IN THE CLAIMS

The following claims listing replaces all prior claims listings:

- 1 16. (Canceled)
- 17. (Currently amended) An anode material for non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery, the anode material consisting of carbon fiber capable of carrying out doping/undoping of lithium, wherein the carbon fiber has <u>a</u> notch <u>structure</u> at the cross section thereof <u>and the notch angle of the notch is from 2° to 150°</u>.
- 18. (Canceled)
- 19. (Currently amended) A non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery comprising: an anode consisting of comprising a carbon material capable of carrying out doping/undoping of lithium;
 - a cathode,; and
- a non-aqueous electrolytic solution in which electrolyte is dissolved in non-aqueous solvent,

wherein,

the carbon material includes carbon fiber having <u>a</u> notch structure at the cross-section thereof <u>and the notch angle of the notch is from 2° to 150°.</u>

20 - 24. (Canceled)